**Reading and Writing Tools**

**On my own, I have also used a PowerPoint presentation to teach students how to write a five paragraph essay. I found a PowerPoint called** [**"The Bing, the Bang and the Bongo."**](https://ctools.umich.edu/access/content/user/sparker/Public%20Portfolio%20Files/bingbangbongo2%5B1%5D.pptx) **I added sound and narration to it.**

**Instead of using the typical blackboard or worksheets, I wanted to figure a way to teach writing that would engage students and keep them interested. This "recipe" works out pretty well since I also give them hand outs of the presentation so that they can have something to look at while writing their own essays.**

**I still model the process for the students by writing a five paragraph essay on a topic they choose as a class after viewing the presentation.**

**I find that students respond more positively when I use this PowerPoint and I can tell the difference in their writing after they are taught with the PowerPoint as opposed to learning it from books and graphic organizers alone.**